

Hello, everyone. My name is Edina Brownlow, and I am a person in Recovery. I suffer from mental illness, and substance abuse. I have thirteen years clean. I have been in and out of institutions all of my adult life. I stand before you, in support of not closing Cedarcrest. I was a patient there nine years ago, for exactly a year to the date. Cedarcrest staff were more of a support to me than my own family. Cedarcrest peers, and staff were all I had in my life. Past medication prescribers tried me on every anti-psychotic available. Finally, Cedarcrest went out on a limb, and tried Cloziril. I have been on it ever since. It was a miracle pill. I will never forget Cedarcrest for being there for persons who needed it. Please consider not closing Cedarcrest. Our state needs to support people , and not slam the door in their face. Cedarcrest saves lives. Take it from me, because they saved mine!